Emergency Services

Europe - France

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The following contact information was provided by the U.S. Embassy in Paris, France:

Police Secours: 17

Fire Department (pompiers): 18

SAMU (Emergency Medical Team/Ambulance): 15 or 01.45.67.50.50

Ambulance (Sainte-Marie): 01.48.42.22.00

American Hospital of Paris:

Address: 63 blvd. Victor Hugo, 92202 Neuilly

Tel: 01.46.41.25.25

Anti-Poison Center: 01.40.05.48.48

Burn Center at l'Hôpital Cochin (Emergency): 01.58.41.27.21

Service for Burns: 01.58.41.26.49

Hôpital Necker (Children, Emergency Care):

Address: 146-151 rue de Sevres 75015 Paris

Tel: 01.44.49.40.00

SOS Dentists (private company for emergencies): 01.43.37.51.00 / 01.42.61.12.00

(Only Sunday and Holidays)

SOS Drugs (Hopital Marmottan) (private company for emergencies): 01.45.74.00.04

SOS Drogue International:

Address: 61 rue Pajol, 75018 Paris

Tel: 01.42.09.07.07

SOS Help English-speaking hotline open daily: 01.46.21.46.46 (www.soshelpline.org)

(Only from 3:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m)

SOS Laboratoire: 01.46.08.12.34

SOS Medecins (private company for emergency doctors): 01.47.07.77.77

If an emergency medical situation arises which you feel requires immediate medical assistance, the

following information will be helpful.

In France, SAMU is the national emergency organization. It has a 24-hour service and gives medical

assistance for all medical emergencies. Its ambulances are manned by teams of trained personnel, and are

equipped with emergency equipment for any cardiac or respiratory resuscitation. To reach SAMU, simply

dial 15 or 01.45.67.50.50.

The Fire brigade Department can also be called for medical emergencies. To reach them, dial 18.

SAMU should be called for life-threatening conditions that require the assistance of trained medical

professionals. These include: cardiac or respiratory emergencies (chest pain and/or shortness of breath),

severe bleeding, severe asthma, stroke, and trauma resulting in multiple injuries. Be brief and concise when

speaking with SAMU and give the precise address or location (if at home or in another USG building,

please indicate the floor and the door code if any), your phone number, the caller and victim's names, the

age of the victim and a description of his medical condition. YOU MAY BE TRANSFERED DIRECTLY

TO AN ENGLISH SPEAKING SPECIALIST IN RESUSCITATION who will identify the type of

emergency based upon the information you give (he may decide to refer your call to another ambulance

service, i.e. SOS MEDECINS, in the case of a less critical emergency).

SOS MEDECINS is a private company for less critical medical emergencies and house calls. They can be

reached at 01.47.07.77.77.